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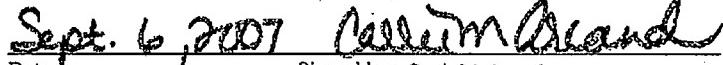
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- 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(1) - Extension within first month.
- 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(2) - Extension within second month.
- 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(3) - Extension within third month.

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